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April 3, 2012

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: George N. Longworth, Commissioner-Sheriff
Department of Public Safety

RE: Resolution authorizing Westchester County, acting by and through its Department of Public Safety, to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Federal Bureau of Investigation to participate in the White Plains Resident Agency Organized Crimes Task Force ("Wpra-OCTF"). This agreement will commence upon full execution thereof and continue for two (2) years thereafter or unless terminated by either agency on 30 days written notice to the other

Authority to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Westchester County, acting by and through its Department of Public Safety to participate in the White Plains Resident Agency Organized Crimes Task Force (Wpra-OCTF). The Memorandum of Understanding may only be released with the authorization of F.B.I. Headquarters and therefore will not be a public document. The agreement will commence upon full execution thereof and continue for two (2) years thereafter unless terminated by either agency on 30 days written notice to the other. This participation consists of the assignment of one (1) detective to the Wpra-OCTF. The agreement provides for reimbursement of some overtime expenses for participating agencies.

The public purpose of the agreement is to delineate the responsibilities of White Plains Resident Agency Organized Crimes Task Force participants, maximize inter-agency cooperation, and formalize relationships among the participating agencies for policy guidance, planning, training, and public relations.

The goals and objectives of this program will identify and target for prosecution, individuals and groups belonging to, or associated with both traditional and non-traditional organized crime in cases which include but are not limited to public corruption, labor racketeering, extortion, infiltration of legitimate business, and money laundering, where County or FBI jurisdiction exists. The Wpra-OCTF will enhance the effectiveness of federal/state/local law enforcement resources through a well coordinated initiative seeking the most effective investigative/prosecutive avenues by which to convict and incarcerate dangerous offenders.

The goals and objectives of this program will support the public safety and/or welfare by using other investigative methods (search warrants, interceptions of oral communications, etc.) and reporting procedures in connection with the FBI, which will protect Westchester County residents from such criminals in a more effective and efficient manner.

This program will be tracked and monitored by the FBI and reports to the Public Safety Commissioner every six months evaluating progress and activity against goals and objectives. Control files on all cases are maintained within the FBI space. Public Safety can access all files when needed.

Wherefore, authority is respectfully sought for the County of Westchester to enter into this agreement.

GNL/KS/cs
Attachment

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RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner-Sheriff, Department of Public Safety, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that authority is hereby granted to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Westchester County, acting by and through its Department of Public Safety to participate in the White Plains Resident Agency Organized Crimes Task Force (WPRA-OCTF), and be it further

RESOLVED, that this participation consists of the assignment of one (1) detective to the WPRA-OCTF, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive, or his authorized designee, be, and hereby is, authorized to enter into and execute this agreement for the County of Westchester.

| Account to be Charged/credited | Fund | Dept | Major Program, Program & Phase or Unit | Revenue | Trust Account | Dollars |
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Budget Funding Years _____
(must match resolution)
N/A

Start Date Upon Execution

End Date 2 years

Funding Source
\$ _____
(must match resolution)

Tax Dollars _____
State Aid _____
Federal Aid _____
Other _____

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